GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of HOUSING AND URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government proposes to launch `Rajiv Awas Yojana` for the poor in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the time by which the scheme is likely to be implemented; and

(d) the steps taken by the Government to mitigate the housing requirement of the poor?

Answer

MINISTER OF HOUSING & URBAN POVERTY ALLEVIATION (KUMARI SELJA)

(a)to(c): Yes, Madam. Government proposes to launch `Rajiv Awas Yojana` in the country for the slum dwellers and urban poor. The scheme would extend support to States that are willing to assign property rights to people living in slum areas. The Government efforts would be to create slum free India through Rajiv Awas Yojana in five years.

(d): To mitigate the housing requirements of the poor, the Government is implementing the Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM) to assist cities and towns in taking up housing and infrastructural facilities for the urban poor in 65 select cities under the Basic Services to the Urban Poor (BSUP) Programme.

For other cities / towns, for taking up housing and slum upgradation programmes, the Integrated Housing and Slum Development Programme (IHSDP) is being implemented.

Further, the Government has launched in 2009 :-

(i) The Scheme of Interest Subsidy for Housing the Urban Poor aimed at providing interest subsidy to the tune of 5% on a loan of Rs. 1 lakh availed by the poor.

(ii) The Scheme of Affordable Housing in Partnership to support the provision of Economically Weaker Section (EWS) and Low Income Group (LIG) housing through partnership between various agencies - Government/ parastatals/Urban Local Bodies/developers etc.